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<b>AND COMPATIBLE PASSIVATIONIN PLANAR</b>	)	
<b>LIGHTWAVE CIRCUITS</b>	)	

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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2004 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 17 of this paper.